Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development

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Quick Summary of Unemployment Rate:	
United States	7.9%
State of Tennessee	7.9%
City of Kingsport	7.6%
Sullivan County	6.8%
Hawkins County	7.9%
Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA MSA	7.0%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol, TN-VA CSA	7.1%

Lowest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	May pre. Rate (%)
1	Lincoln Co.	5.4
2	Williamson Co.	5.4
3	Knox Co.	6.0
4	Blount Co.	6.4
5	Loudon Co.	6.4
6	Wilson Co.	6.4
7	Sumner Co.	6.7
8	Davidson Co.	6.7
9	Sullivan Co.	6.8
10	Washington Co.	6.8

Highest County Unemployment Rates

Rank	County	May pre. Rate (%)
95	Scott Co.	15.9
94	Obion Co.	13.2
93	Pickett Co.	12.3
92	Perry Co.	12.2
91	Lauderdale Co.	12.2
90	Marshall Co.	11.4
89	Weakley Co.	11.4
88	Hancock Co.	11.3
87	White Co.	11.2
86	Van Buren Co.	11.0

CITY OF KINGSPORT	2007	2011	2012	Change (5 years)	Change (1 year)
Unemployment Rate	4.9%	8.9%	7.6%	2.7%	-1.3%
Construction Value***	$88,560,394	$68,017,382	$52,592,528	-23.2%	-22.7%
Population**	44,758	48,205	50,851	7.7%	5.5%
Labor Force	19,250	19,860	21,000	9.1%	5.7%
Employed	18,310	18,100	19,400	6.0%	7.2%
Unemployed	940	1,770	1,600	70.2%	-9.6%

Unemployment (sorted low to high)	2007	2011	2012	Change (5 years)	Change (1 year)
Morristown, City of	6.0%	13.9%	10.2%	4.2%	-3.7%
Greene County	6.1%	12.7%	9.6%	3.5%	-3.1%
Hawkins County	4.0%	9.9%	7.9%	3.9%	-2.0%
Tennessee, State of	4.2%	9.5%	7.9%	3.7%	-1.6%
Cleveland, City of	5.6%	10.2%	8.7%	3.1%	-1.5%
Washington County	3.8%	8.3%	6.8%	3.0%	-1.5%
Carter County	4.5%	8.9%	7.4%	2.9%	-1.5%
Johnson City MSA	4.0%	8.6%	7.2%	3.2%	-1.4%
Johnson City, City of	3.9%	8.5%	7.2%	3.3%	-1.3%
Oak Ridge, City of	3.8%	8.3%	7.1%	3.3%	-1.2%
Johnson City-Kingsport-Bristol CSA	4.0%	8.3%	7.1%	3.1%	-1.2%
Maryville, City of	5.3%	8.0%	6.8%	1.5%	-1.2%
Kingsport-Bristol MSA	4.0%	8.1%	7.0%	3.0%	-1.1%
U.S. unemployment	4.3%	8.7%	7.9%	3.6%	-0.8%
Sullivan County	3.7%	7.5%	6.8%	3.1%	-0.7%
Bristol (TN), City of	4.1%	6.9%	6.6%	2.5%	-0.3%

Green = Positive   Yellow = Cautiously Optimistic   Red = Negative

**Available in July of following year, estimated for current year

***As reported on Building Permits